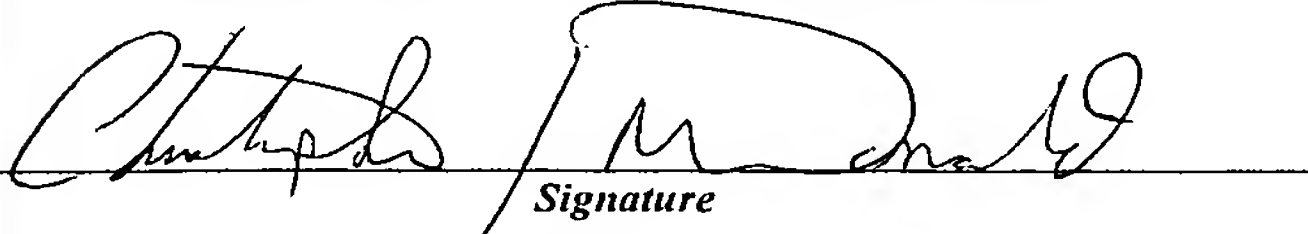


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> (Small Entity)				Docket No. <b>04-0761</b>	
In Re Application Of: <b>Itzhak Bentwich et al.</b>					
Application No. <b>10/709,577</b>	Filing Date <b>05/14/2004</b>	Examined & TRADEMARK OFFICE <b>DEC 15 2004</b>	Customer No. <b>20741</b>	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
Invention: <b>SMALL MOLECULES MODULATING ACTIVITY OF MICRO RNA OLIGONULEOTIDES AND MICRO RNA TARGETS AND USES THEREOF</b>					
<b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>  This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u><b>July 15, 2004</b></u> in the above-identified application. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Date</div> The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"><div><input type="checkbox"/> One month</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Two months</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Four months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Five months</div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"><div>from: <u><b>September 15, 2004</b></u> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div></div><div>until: <u><b>December 15, 2004</b></u> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div></div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27</div> The fee for the extension of time is <b>\$510</b> and is to be paid as follows: <div style="margin-left: 20px;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>08-2455</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</div> <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></div>					
<div style="text-align: center;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Signature</div></div> <div><b>Christopher J. McDonald</b> Reg. No. 41,533 <b>HOFFMAN, WASSON &amp; GITLER, P.C.</b> 2461 South Clark Street, Suite 522 Arlington, VA 22202 (703) 415-0100</div>			Dated: <b>December 15, 2004</b>		
12/16/2004 LWONDIM1 00000038 10709577 01 FC:2253 510.00 DP  CC:			<div>I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Date)</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div>		